Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The gauge reading will be done in conjunction with the officers of the Travancore and Cochin Governments.

Kodakara-Vellikulangara road—construction of.

62. Mr. A. V. Moothedan.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether the construction of Kodakara-Vellikulangara road has been completed now as promised by the Chief Engineer during the Budget Session last year;

(b) what is the reason for the delay?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.— (a) and (b) The question of improving the road from Vellikulangara River as far as the Tram line is under the consideration of the Road Board.

Mr. A. V. Moothedan.—May I know whether the Road Board has come to any decision regarding this?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—The Board has included this work in the report.

Mr. President.—The report of the Road Board has been printed and will be circulated among the Hon'ble Members.

Appointment of Mr. P. S. Seetharam as Canal Superintendent, Ernakulam—Claimants to the post.

63. Mr. T. A. Ramachandra Ayyar.—(a) Will the Government be pleased to state the qualifications of Mr. P. S. Seetharam, who was appointed as Canal Superintendent, Ernakulam;

(b) what is his pay and age;

(c) are there not officers in the department who are qualified for the post;

(d) are there officers in service who have acted as Canal Superintendents;

(e) if so, who are they ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—(a) Matriculate; Completed Intermediate Course; War service for 5½ years in

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